

Delegate Luke Clippinger
Chairman House Judiciary Committee
Maryland General Assembly
House Office Building, Room 101 Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Senator William C. Smith, Jr.
Chairman, Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee
Maryland General Assembly
Miller Senate Office Building, 2 East
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: HB1039/SB0743

Dear Chairman Clippinger, Chairman Smith, and Members of the Committees:

I was adopted at 3 days old. My father passed away in 2008, & my mother is 92 years old. They had no other children. I never married. When, G-D forbid, the time comes, when my mother passes away; I will have NO family! Everyone should have the right to know where they come from, & who they come from. I'm 63, so I doubt my biological parents are still alive, but, you never know. I don't know what it's like to hear . . . "You look just like your _____."

Maybe I have full or 1/2 siblings, cousins, aunts &/or uncles out there. I'd be happy if I could just find ONE! I need that connection! I know people who have found biological connections, & I've been told..."there's nothing like it!" I love the man & woman that adopted me . . . MY MOTHER & FATHER! I'm not looking to replace them, I'm looking for my biological identity. Please, consider my testimony when you're making your decision!!

Thank You So Much.

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